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For:

CONSTRUCT OF RECOMBINANT NUCLEIC ACIDS CIRCULARIZED BY DNA

COMPACTING AGENTS

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- _ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 has been established.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.
- x No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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 - \underline{x} Any filing fees under 37 CFR §1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The Applicant responds to the Official Action dated June 28, 2005 as follows: